

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A system for establishing a public wireless local area network for a plurality of wireless communication devices, the system comprising:

- 5 a public switched telephone network;
a digital subscriber line access multiplexer in communication with the public switched network;
at least one public telephone in communication with the public switched telephone network; and
10 a wireless local area network hub in communication with the public telephone and with the digital subscriber line access multiplexer, the wireless local area network hub being adapted to establish a digital subscriber line connection with the wireless communication devices.

- 15 2. The system of claim 1 further comprising:
a broadband remote access service in communication with the digital subscriber line access multiplexer.

- 20 3. The system of claim 2 wherein the broadband remote access service provides a connection between the wireless communication devices and an Internet service provider.

- 25 4. The system of claim 2 wherein the broadband remote access service provides a connection between the wireless communication devices and a private network.

5. The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one public telephone is in communication with the public switched telephone network over a pair of copper wires.

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6. The system of claim 1 wherein the wireless local area network hub operates according to an IEEE 802.11 standard.

7. The system of claim 1 wherein the wireless local area network hub
10 operates according to IEEE standard 802.11b.

8. The system of claim 1 wherein the wireless local area network hub operates according to IEEE standard 802.11a.

9. The system of claim 1 wherein the at least one public telephone is
15 located in a booth.

10. A system for establishing a public wireless local area network for a plurality of wireless communication devices, the system comprising:

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a public switched telephone network;

a digital subscriber line access multiplexer in communication with the publicly switched network;

at least one public telephone in communication with the publicly switched telephone network; and

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a wireless local area network hub operating according to an IEEE 802.11 standard, the wireless local area network hub in communication with the public telephone and with the digital subscriber line access multiplexer, the wireless local area network hub being adapted to establish a digital subscriber line connection with the wireless communication devices.

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11. The system of claim 10 further comprising:
a broadband remote access service in communication with the
digital subscriber line access multiplexer.

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12. The system of claim 11 wherein the broadband remote access
service provides a connection between the wireless communication devices and
an Internet service provider.

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13. The system of claim 11 wherein the broadband remote access
service provides a connection between the wireless communication devices and
a private network.

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14. The system of claim 10 wherein the at least one public telephone is
in communication with the public switched telephone network over a pair of
copper wires.

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15. The system of claim 10 wherein the at least one public telephone is
located in a booth.

16. A system for establishing a public wireless local area network for a plurality of wireless communication devices, the system comprising:

a public switched telephone network;

5 a digital subscriber line access multiplexer in communication with the public switched network;

at least one public telephone in communication with the public switched telephone network;

10 a wireless local area network hub operating according to IEEE standard 802.11b, the wireless local area network hub in communication with the public telephone and with the digital subscriber line access multiplexer, the wireless local area network hub being adapted to extend a digital subscriber line connection to the wireless communication devices; and

15 a broadband remote access service in communication with the digital subscriber line access multiplexer.

17. The system of claim 16 wherein the broadband remote access service provides a connection between the wireless communication devices and an Internet service provider.

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18. The system of claim 16 wherein the broadband remote access service provides a connection between the wireless communication devices and a private network.

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19. The system of claim 16 wherein the at least one public telephone is in communication with the public switched telephone network over a pair of copper wires.

20. The system of claim 16 wherein the at least one public telephone is
30 located in a booth.